Eastleigh Borough Council TPO and CA Decisions

Date of visit: 10/02/14.

Application number:
T/14/73680

Address of the trees:
35 Nichol Road, Chandlers Ford.

Application:
T1 English Oak: reduce crown by 2m and crown thin by no more than 30%. Remove deadwood. Works for maintenance and to alleviate encroachment/lean.
T2 English Oak: Fell. Tree is ivy covered and has deadwood in the crown.

Parish Council comments.
None received.

Correspondence:
None received.

Comments:
T1 is a small mature English Oak tree which stands on the western garden boundary adjacent to 1 Heathfield Road. The Oak would appear to benefit from some minor canopy restructuring. T2 is a small mature English Oak that stands on the northern frontage of the property. The Oak is covered in ivy and is displaying deadwood. However, no compelling evidence has been submitted to suggest that the tree should be removed.
The proposed pruning of T1 appears to be reasonable in this case. Alternative works are approved for T2.

Decision.
TIME LIMIT TREES (G09)
(1) The tree works hereby consented shall be completed within 2 years of the date of this permission and shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details and to British Standard for Tree Work BS3998:2010.
Reason: To preserve the special amenity value of the tree.

BRANCH SIZE (G11)
(2) No branches over 100mm in diameter shall be removed and the tree works shall retain the shape and habit typical of the species.

Reason: To safeguard the health and amenity of the tree.

NOTICE AND PRE-COMMENCEMENT MEETING. (Unique condition)
(3) The tree surgery contractor (or other person) carrying out the work shall contact the Tree Officer and give at least 10 days notice prior to starting this approved work. It may also be necessary to arrange a pre-commencement site meeting with the Tree Officer on site if so required.

Reason: To ensure that the contractor or person carrying out the work clearly understands the requirements and detail contained within this consent.

PART CONSENT/ PART REFUSE TPO WORKS (L13)
(4) Note to Applicant: It is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions attached to this permission, the proposed tree work is acceptable because it will not materially harm the character of the area, the amenity of neighbours or highway safety, and is in accordance with the policies and proposals of the development plan and after due regard to all other relevant material considerations the local planning authority is of the opinion that permission should be granted.

Note to applicant: All works hereby consented should be carried out by a suitably qualified tree surgeon. A copy of the decision notice should be given to the Tree Surgeon.

And hereby REFUSE CONSENT for the following: Oak T2 Fell.
For the following reasons: The proposed works are considered unjustified and will be of detriment to the health and appearance of the trees. The works would therefore result in an adverse impact upon the visual amenity, ecology, wildlife, shelter and screening of the surrounding area.

Note to applicant: For both trees - deadwood and ivy may be removed without the requirement for council consent. For Oak T2, if the ivy removal reveals defects, disease of pathogens, then you are advised to contact EBC to discuss further options for managing this tree.